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For: **INCORPORATION OF DRILLING CUTTINGS  
INTO STABLE LOAD-BEARING STRUCTURES**

**APPLICANT'S RESPONSE  
TO UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
EXAMINER'S ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MAIL STOP — AMENDMENT — FEES**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

**I INTRODUCTION**

Applicant's Response is to an United States Patent and Trademark Office Examiner's Action dated March 26, 2004. In the Action, the Examiner set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months, *i.e.*, to June 26, 2004. Applicant submits herewith a Petition for an Extension of time of one month for filing the Response, *i.e.*, to July 26, 2004. Accordingly, Applicant's Response is timely as it is being filed on July 26, 2004, with a Certificate of Mailing Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.